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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS PROGRAM FOR AFGHANISTAN: AERIAL SURVEY

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1. EMBASSY HAS CONSULTED WITH BJORN OLSEN, UNDP RESREP, REGARDING WHETHER UNDP HAS TECHNICAL AND CONTRACTING ABILITY PROCEED WITH AERIAL SURVEY AS SOON AS ORDERS RECEIVED. OLSEN STATES FLATLY THAT ABSOLUTELY NO ONE IN UNDP OR ASSOCIATED AGENCIES HERE CAPABLE OF PERFORMING PROCUREMENT WITH OR WITHOUT USAID OR EMBASSY ASSISTANCE. HE INSISTS THAT THIS CAN ONLY BE DONE BY " SOMEONE FROM NEW YORK OR GENEVA" REGARDLESS OF INSTRUCTIONS RECEIVED.

2. WHILE NOT SUBSTITUTE FOR OVERALL SURVEY, USAID BUREC CONDUCTING AERIAL SURVEY MAJOR PROJECT AREAS HELMAND VALLEY (1-10,000 SCALE) EXPECTED TO COMMENCE WITHIN TEN DAYS. WILL COVER POPPY GROWING AREAS IN THAT REGION. PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THIS SURVEY CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE AT LEAST FOR THIS LIMITED AREA. SUGGEST THAT YOU INFORM MARTENS OF OLSEN' S REACTION, AND LIMITED WORK WHICH CAN BE DONE IN HELMAND VALLEY. UNFORTUNATELY, USAID SURVEY CANNOT BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE NANGAHAR (WHERE CROP ALREADY LARGELY HARVESTED)

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OR BADAKSHAN, BUT THESE AREAS ARE GEOGRAPHICALLY DISBURSED FROM
HELMAND VALLEY.
DECON MAY 30, 1974.
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